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AMENDMENT

In response to the Office Action mailed July 31, 2002 (for which a two-month extension of time is hereby sought), please amend the captioned application as follows:

IN THE ABSTRACT

Please replace the original Abstract with the Abstract attached hereto.

Please replace the specification with the substitute specification which is attached.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please add new claims 21 - 32 as follows:

21. {NEW} An aiming device for aiming and visually indicating a reading area of an 12/31/2002 DTESSEM1 00000055 09688170

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